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Now try and see if you can count

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THE FOOT BALL SEASON OF 1908.

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The season of 1908 started in under auspices that might be considered to be very favorable as compared with other years. There

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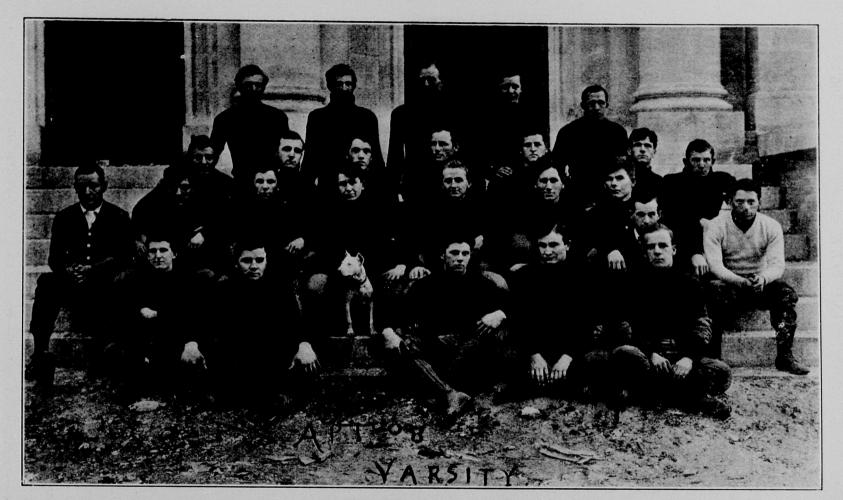
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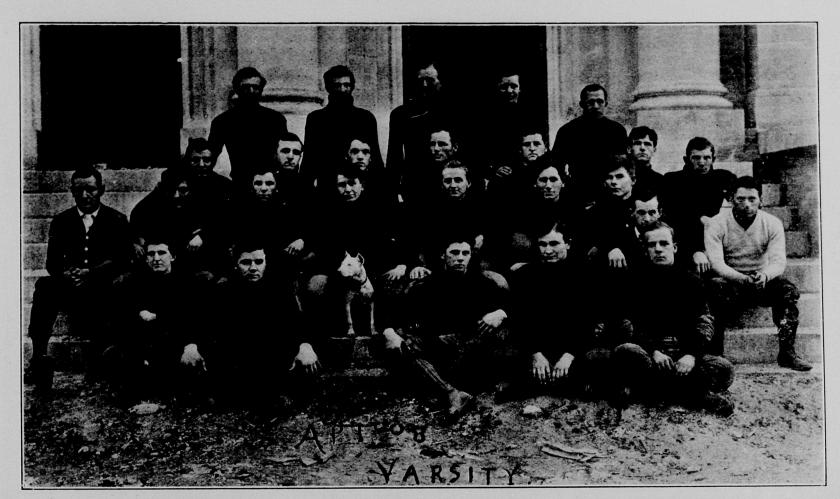
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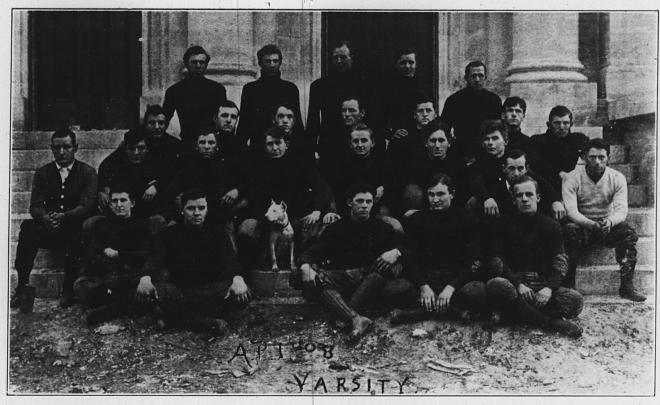
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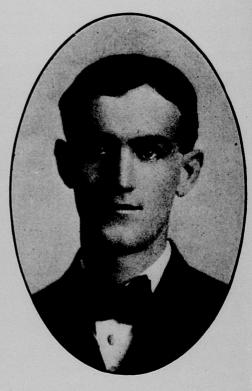
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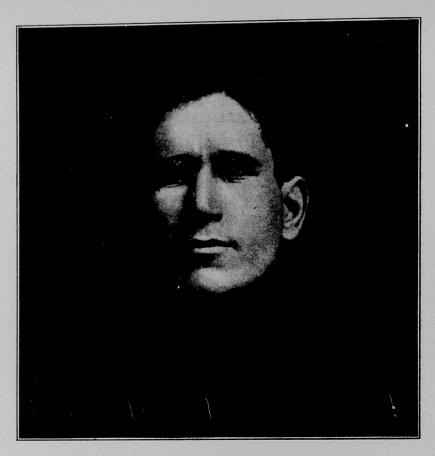
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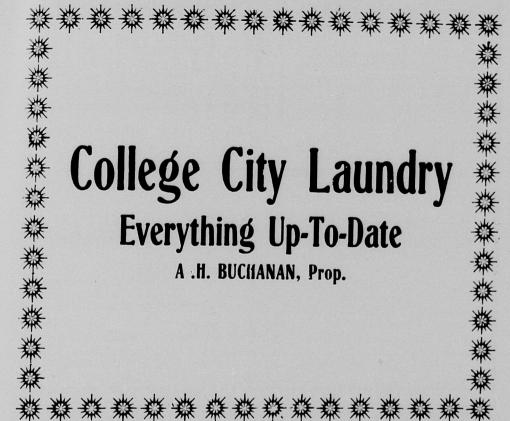
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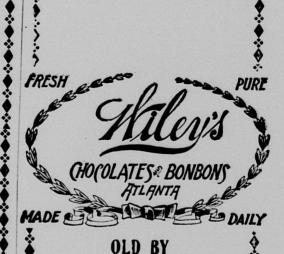
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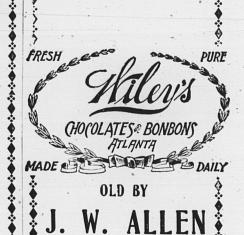
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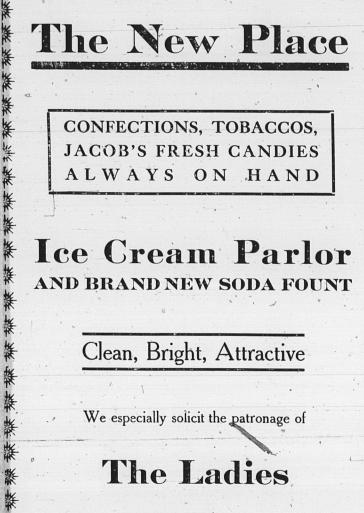
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